

## **US NRC Undergraduate Scholarship Program for Excellence In Nuclear Education at the University of Tennessee"**

Through this solicitation, the Department of Nuclear Engineering at the University of Tennessee-Knoxville (UTK) seeks to award up to twenty (20) one-year undergraduate scholarships over the next two academic years. In accordance with the solicitation guidelines, the proposed management of this scholarship program will have the built-in flexibility to award up to two (2) one-year undergraduate scholarship awards to the same student (one renewal). Thus, for example, the program could award from ten (10) two-year undergraduate scholarships to twenty (20) one-year awards, or combinations thereof that add up to 20 award units. However, the actual distribution of initial awards and subsequent renewals will vary depending upon the pool of qualified applicants and upon the continued academic success and standing of the awardees. In fact, current practice at the University of Tennessee within its scholarship program is to award scholarships on a semester-by-semester basis to ensure good standing and continued satisfactory performance.

The sections that follow provide evidence to support the fact that the UT Nuclear Engineering Department has an outstanding institutional capability and is quite committed to nuclear engineering education. Furthermore, our department has a very large and sustainable stream of students (both quantity and quality) to successfully administer this NRC-funded scholarship program at the highest level of available support.